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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Langer, *et al.* Examiner: Russel, Jeffrey E.  
Serial No.: 09/314,540 Art Unit: 1654  
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For: *Modification of Surfaces Using Biological Recognition Events*

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Applicant respectfully requests a three (3) month extension of time, from March 9, 2003, up to and including June 9, 2003 to respond to the Office Action mailed December 9, 2002, in the above-referenced case. Responsive to that Office Action, Applicant requests entrance of the following Amendments into the case, and consideration of the following Remarks:

This Response is believed to be in compliance with the Revised Amendment Format published in the Official Gazette on February 25, 2003, and therefore to be exempt from the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d).